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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.4919 Dated 16th October, 1947.
Read the following:-

From the Provincial Textile Commissioner Rc.No.113854-DC-4
dated 8-9-1947.

O R D E R: ---

The Government accept the proposals contained in the revised scheme submitted by the Provincial Textile Commissioner for the issue of duplicate cloth ration cards in the case of th lost, defaced or destoyed subject to a slight modification in para (f) of the scheme. The scheme as approved by Government is appended to this order.

The Government agree with the Provincial Textile Commissioner that publicity need not be given to the proposals for the issue of duplicate ration cards as it would only result in a rush for such duplicate cards, mostly from false claimants The Collectors are requested to issue the instructions containe in paragraph (c) of the scheme to the members of local Committe concerned and those in paragraph (d) to the retail dealers by separate circular.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

W.R.S.Satthianathan,
Secretary to Government.

To
The Provincial Textile Commissioner.
All Collectors.

APPENDIX.

CONFIDENTIAL Instructions for the issue of duplicate cloth Ration Cards.

Duplicate cloth Ration cards should not ordinarily be issued, but in genuine cases of hardship the following procedur should be strictly followed:

(a) Applications for duplicate cloth ration cards shoul be made to the Collector in the following form, the applicant filling in the form as completely as he can:-

1. Name of the applicant.
2. Address in the rationed area.
3. Number of permanent Food Ration Card (or of Fire Woo ration card in Madras City) held.
4. Number of adults and children as entered in the Food/Fire-wood ration card.
5. Number of cloth ration card lost and circumstances in which lost.
6. Cloth drawn, if any, already, on the lost cloth ration card during the 'Ration Year'.
7. Name and address of the shop or shops at which any any portion of the ration has been drawn previous
8. Balance of cloth due for the 'Ration year'

I solomnly affirm that the particulars furnished above are true.

Applicant.

The application should be accompanied by the cash bills or credit notes issued by dealers for cloth purchased by the applicant on the lost cloth ration card. If no cash bills or credit notes are available, the applicant should be

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be required to state the name of at least the last dealer from whom he or she purchased any mill cloth.

The Collector may at his discretion dispense with applications in deserving cases.

(b) The purchases of mill cloth made by the applicant before the card was lost should also be verified as far as possible. This will be easy in places where consumers are linked to comparatively small retail shops, but in places where there is no linking (as in Madras) or where a big shop has been selected to serve a large number of consumers, this verification would indeed be difficult.

(c) The only feasible check against making false claims, is by way of enquiries whether cloth is drawn on the applicant's original card, even after the duplicate card has been issued For this purpose, the Inspection Sub-Committees of the Rationing Advisory Committees and Village Committees should be furnished with the lists of duplicate cloth ration cards issued and asked to verify, as far as possible, during their inspections of shops whether the 'duplicate' card holders had purchased cloth from them earlier and if so, what quantities and to see whether the alleged lost card has made its appearance again. Similar check should also be made by members of the Circle Committees in Madras City.

(d) All duplicate, cloth ration cards should bear prominently the words 'duplicate' in red ink. A note of the issue of the Duplicate Cloth ration card should be made on the Food Ration Card or certificate or Fire wood ration card as the case may be by the issuing authority. The dealers who, issue cloth against such cards should also note that the cards are 'duplicates' in the cash bills or credit notes given by him for purchases and should bring to the notice of the Textile Control Authorities, cases found by them of the issue of cloth previously against the original cloth ration card bearing the same number.

(e) The duplicate cloth ration card should contain particulars of the original quantity of cloth which the card holder's family is entitled to, the q antity drawn on the lost ration card and the balance allowed to be drawn on the duplicate card. If as a result of enquiries, it is found that a card holder had obtained a duplicate card by fraud or false declarations, his card would be liable to be cancelled as a suitable penalty.

(f) The quantity allowed to be drawn on the duplicates shoul be limited to the actual balance due in cases where acceptable evidence is forthcoming about the quantity actuallydrawn on the original card.

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